

Promises of God

28. Sufficiency



II Corinthians 9:8 "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:"

Meaning: The promise of "having all sufficiency in all things" comes right after "God loveth a cheerful giver." God does not promise to make us rich, but He does promise "all sufficiency." This is a guarantee of satisfaction and contentedness. The contentment that God promised is in "all things," not just in finances. Sufficiency is more about having enough than it is about having an abundance.

Application: Two keys to receiving the promise of God's sufficiency is prayer (Mark 11:24) and giving (Philippians 4:15, 19). No one's competency in any area is because of himself; all of our abilities and opportunities come from God (II Corinthians 3:5). Philippians 4:13 says it best, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." In whatever area we are lacking, we can claim the promise that "our sufficiency is of God."

Other Verses to Study: Psalm 68:19; Matthew 21:22; John 14:13; 15:7; Romans 8:32; II Corinthians 12:9; Ephesians 1:3; II Peter 1:3, 4

1. What does sufficiency mean?

2. Sufficiency is more about having _____ than it is about having an _____.

3. What are two keys to receiving God's sufficiency?

"Our efficiency turns out to be a deficiency unless we have His sufficiency."